

SECTION A2:

THIRD PARTY SERVICES AT RATES NEGOTIATED WITH THE SASKATCHEWAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

This section consists of services that may be requested by a variety of Provincial and Federal agencies. The services listed in this section are not insured under the *Medical Care Insurance Act* and are, therefore not paid by MSB. They are, however, paid for by the agencies who request these services at fixed rates negotiated with the Saskatchewan Medical Association. Unless otherwise noted, these services should be charged directly to the agency requesting the service.

A. SASKATCHEWAN JUSTICE

1. Appearance as a material witness for the Crown in criminal proceedings (effective February 1, 2019)

Testimony

	<u>Spec / GP</u>
589A For first court appearance	
- first hour or part of the first hour.....	\$250.00
- for each subsequent 15 minutes or major portion thereof.....	\$60.00
Subsequent court appearance	
590A - first hour or part of the first hour.....	\$250.00
- for each subsequent 15 minutes or major portion thereof.....	\$60.00

i. Payment for preparation, pretrial briefing and waiting time is included in the testimony fee. **Travel expenses will be fully reimbursed.**

ii. Fees for payment as an "expert" witness are negotiable.

iii. Cancellation Notice.....	\$200.00
Failure to give notification of adjournment or cancellation to the practitioner's office at least 2 business days before the date of the scheduled court appearance (a "flat rate fee will be paid)	

Reimbursement of Expenses

580A i. Meal allowances (At Public Service Commission rates)	
- breakfast	\$8.00
- lunch	\$14.00
- supper.....	\$19.00
581A ii. Accommodation	
hotel (recommended rate/night; receipt required)	\$125.00-\$150.00
private (recommended rate/night)	\$35.00
582A iii. Travel- commercial carrier (receipt required)	Cost
- private vehicle, per km	
- below 54 th parallel.....	\$0.4483
- above 54 th parallel	\$0.4828
- taxi (receipt required)	Cost

Medical Documentation - requested by Lawyer

583A (i) Letter.....	\$150.00
This is a factual report on past health and/or current condition based on review of office and/or hospital records which summarizes of the history, symptomatology, investigation, therapy, and results	
585A (ii) Report (opinion)	\$300.00
This is an expert opinion concerning such matters as: cause and effect; long-term consequences; possible complications; and extent or percentage of disability. It involves the exercise	

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of expert knowledge and judgment including a detailed prognosis,
and may contain some comment as to the likelihood of permanent
disability

Note: Medical documentation fees are negotiable with the requesting lawyer
if the report is complex.

2. Appearance as a witness in a civil proceeding (effective January 1997)

Payment arrangements in a civil proceeding should be discussed/negotiated with the lawyer
requesting your services. If a suitable fee cannot be agreed upon, you may be subpoenaed
in which case the following rates will be paid for your appearance in court.

Professional witness \$100.00 per half day
Consultant to give expert testimony..... \$200.00 per half day

A reasonable fee for **preparation time** and reasonable fee in the **event of adjournment**
or settlement of the action prior to testimony in Court is allowed at the discretion of the
taxing officer.

If a **medical report** arising out of an examination is admitted in evidence, and the physician or
surgeon who made the report does not personally attend to give evidence, the fee payable to the
physician or surgeon who made the report is \$200.00.

Expenses will be paid on submission of receipts for necessary travel, accommodation and meals.

Payment Arrangements:

Provincial Court

In Regina and Saskatoon submit claims for expenses, reports and court appearances to the prosecution office
requesting your services. In all other areas of the province submit your claims to the RCMP or city police officer who
requested your testimony.

Court of Queen's Bench

In all areas across Saskatchewan submit your claims for expenses, reports and court appearance to the prosecution
office requesting your services.

For information contact: Public Prosecutions
Saskatchewan Justice
300-1874 Scarth Street
Regina, SK S4P 3V7

Telephone: 306-787-5490

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B. POLICE SERVICES

I. Investigation of Suspected Rape

Bill the MSB under Code 39 A for medical documentation and initial assessment and treatment.

591A Additional time taken to gather and provide evidence for the \$45.00
investigating officer - per 15 minutes or major portion thereof (917A)
(Charge to the police officer's local detachment)

2. Collection of Sample for Blood Alcohol Determination

Any medical services provided to a driver injured in a motor vehicle accident are insured by MSB.

An additional fee for drawing a blood alcohol sample may be submitted
to the local detachment of the investigating police officer as follows:

592A Collection of blood sample and completion of forms for alcohol level determination \$55.00
- plus 917A for any detention
- plus appropriate surcharge when called specially to collect the sample

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C. DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES - CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES BRANCH

All services are paid at rates equivalent to Saskatchewan Justice fees for criminal proceedings.

Submit to: Department of Social Services
Child and Family Services Branch
1920 Broad Street
Regina, SK S4P 3V6

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D. WORKERS' COMPENSATION BOARD

Payments are made for certain services not listed in the MSB Payment Schedule:

Reports

650 - Initial (PPI) \$61.44
651 - if submitted electronically via the WCB web portal..... add \$12.95

660 - Progress (PPP)..... \$38.17
661 - if submitted electronically via the WCB web portal..... add \$12.95

Complicated Consultations - (Specialists Only)

119 a) conditions involving more than one area of the body, or
b) chronic clients (those with injuries older than 12 weeks) add \$98.20

Special Opinion, on request

97 (relationship of percentage of functional impairment)..... add \$245.44

Research Fee (when requested by WCB) (per 10 minutes)

178 - specialist \$49.15
177 - general practitioner \$44.26

Telephone Consultations - initiated by the WCB or a health care provider currently treating the injured worker. Synopsis of the consultation to be included in patient's chart.

a) First 10 minutes:

126 - specialist \$49.15
1126 - general practitioner \$44.26

b) 10 to 15 minutes:

128 - specialist \$65.46
1128 - general practitioner \$58.72

c) Each additional 15 minutes:

164 - specialist \$65.46
1164 - general practitioner \$58.72

179 **RHCS4 – Treatment Implementation** \$34.26

Note: If received by the WCB within five days of the report request, an additional \$25.00 will be automatically added to the payment for this form.

640 **Counselling** \$46.76

- For patient counselling for an early return-to-work (RTW), including completion of RTW form for the employer and provided to the patient at initial contact.
- Billable for counselling sessions occurring at initial visit and maximum of once every four weeks thereafter that patient not engaged in return-to-work plan.
- Must be documented in patient's chart. Per 10 minutes or major portion.

199 **Hospital Management** \$129.45
Billed by most responsible physician (MRP) and/or physician completing discharge

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summary, for inpatient hospital stays. Includes discussion with patient regarding expectations for recovery and return-to-work. Billed at or near time of discharge, with notation in patient's chart. Per hospital stay.

MEDICAL BOARDS

Traumatic Brain Injury Consultation

89	- Chair.....	\$1,024.21
1189	- Actual time spent in excess of 2.5 hours (per hour).....	\$410.10
189	- Member.....	\$819.16
1089	- Actual time spent in excess of 2.5 hours (per hour).....	\$327.25

Cardiac (per hour)

42	- Chair.....	\$410.10
142	- Member.....	\$327.25

Cardiopulmonary – Medical Consultation

5	- Chair.....	\$1,229.26
1150	- Actual time spent in excess of 3 hours (per hour).....	\$410.10
150	- Member.....	\$981.75
1050	- Actual time spent in excess of 3 hours (per hour).....	\$327.25

Medical Review Panel

15	- Chair.....	\$1,637.28
1115	- Actual time spent in excess of 4 hours (per hour).....	\$410.10
1015	- Member.....	\$1,310.03
1215	- Actual time spent in excess of 4 hours (per hour).....	\$327.25

Medical Board

190	- Member.....	\$819.16
1190	- Actual time spent in excess of 2.5 hours (per hour).....	\$327.25

85	Chaperone Fee (per 15 minutes).....	\$81.88
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Submit to: Workers' Compensation Board
Health Care Services
200-1881 Scarth Street
Regina, SK S4P 4L1

Toll-free Fax: 1-888-844-7773

Note: The Workers' Compensation Board reserves the right to withhold payment for incomplete or illegible reports received.

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E. SASKATCHEWAN POWER

800A Completion of Saskatchewan Power Practitioner's Report Form P148 \$40.00

Please return forms and submit claims to:

Submit to: Saskatchewan Power
Return to Work
10 SE, 2025 Victoria Avenue
Regina, SK S4P 0S1

Telephone: (306) 566-2416
Fax: (306) 566-2406

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F. SASKATCHEWAN GOVERNMENT INSURANCE (SGI)

Includes SGI Injury Claims

Forms

Practitioner's (Initial Report)

For a complete, legible report:

- received within 30 days \$50.00

- received within 7 calendar days after the visit or 14 days after request from
the adjuster \$60.00

Individual Written Rehabilitation Plan Form \$20.00

SGI Claimant Assessment Form \$20.00

Practitioner Pre-assessment Form \$20.00

Case Conferences

These will be paid as per the telephone consultation fees. Individual consideration will apply if travel outside the practitioner's community is required.

The physician should bill the adjuster for the call.

Request for Information

Telephone Consultation:

0 to 10 minutes \$20.00

10 to 15 minutes \$38.50

Each subsequent 15 minutes (917A) \$38.50

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Form or brief 529A, page A4

Written letter - factual statement of patient's condition 535A, page A4

Medical-legal report 563A, page A4

Medical-legal opinion 564A, page A4

If preparation of the report for 563A or 564A requires more than one hour's time, payment for additional time is based on 917A.

SGI officials are instructed to be very specific in their requests for reports and to indicate which code will be paid. If the fee submitted exceeds the code indicated, the physician may be asked for an explanation.

Follow-up reports should be submitted directly to SGI and only on request from an SGI official. Lawyers may obtain information from SGI.

Submit to: Saskatchewan Government Insurance
2260 - 11th Avenue
Regina, SK S4P 0J9

SGI Medical Review Unit (former SGI Driver Fitness Review)

Note: SGI will also reimburse physicians for requested drivers' medicals. See Section A3.

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G. RCMP PERSONNEL (Effective April 1, 1987)

RCMP Health Services pays at SMA Guide to Fees listed rates. The fee includes reporting the relevant clinical findings on the form which becomes part of the officer's medical file. Submit on RCMP Form 2135, Clinical Report and Account Form to:

Submit to: RCMP Health Services
Box 6500
Regina, SK S4P 3J7

Telephone: 306-780-3836

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H. VETERANS AFFAIRS CANADA

DVA has declared that it will pay at Medical Services Branch Payment Schedule rates.

Medical reports provided by a patient in support of a request for a benefit can be reimbursed at the following rates if supported by a receipt/invoice from the physician.

Source and Form of Information

Prescription only with no or only minor explanation, e.g. medication required for lower back pain	Nil
Phone call with physician's office (not physician) to obtain information	Nil
Phone conversation with physician.....	\$10.00 per call
Original report by family practitioner (FP) (one page); completion of a form; subsequent report by a specialist.....	\$25.00
Original report by a specialist (one page).....	\$50.00
Second and subsequent pages of a report, FP and specialist	\$20.00
Copies of a physician's notes or reports previously prepared for a third party.....	\$15.00 first page (\$2.00 each additional page)
Renewal of prescription by telephone (when fee not covered by province).....	\$5.00
Physician call to request authorization for special authorization benefits	

DVA beneficiaries are only those veterans who have been declared eligible for a pension related to a specified disability.

If there is any reason to believe that a veteran has been declared eligible, submit to DVA on the Saskatchewan Blue Cross form provided in your supplier kit.

If the form is inadvertently sent to DVA and they are not responsible for the claim, they will forward it on to MSB rather than return it to you. If MSB receives a claim that is DVA responsibility, they will return it to you.

If you want to register as a supplier or if you require billing forms, please contact Saskatchewan Blue Cross at 1-800-301-6102, or in Saskatoon at 306-244-5839.

Submit to: Veterans Affairs Canada
PO Box 6050
Winnipeg, MB R3C 4G5

Telephone: 1-866-522-2122

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I. CANADIAN FORCES

The Canadian Forces have declared that they will pay only at Medical Services Branch Payment Schedules rates.

Claims administration is handled through Saskatchewan Blue Cross, similar to the processes used for DVA claims. If you require billing forms or further information, please contact Saskatchewan Blue Cross directly at:

Saskatchewan Blue Cross
P.O. Box 4030
Saskatoon, SK S7K 3T2

Telephone
Toll-free: 1-800-301-6102
Saskatoon: 306-244-5839

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J. CANADA POST

550A Physician's Modified Work Information SheetUse 529A

Submit to:

Manulife Financial
2220 Laurier Avenue West, Suite 400
Ottawa, ON K1P 5Z9

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K. CANADA PENSION PLAN (effective August 1, 2010)

CPP Disability Medical Report Form - The fee for completing the CPP Disability Form is a set fee. Completion of this six page form is paid at \$85.00 (effective August 1, 2010). The level of the fee was set by CPP, based on a 40-minute estimated completion time.

The Federal government has recently issued a new guideline to assist physicians in responding to a specific request from CPP to provide a narrative report in regard to a patient's claim for disability benefits. The guideline allows for payment up to a maximum of \$150.00 for these reports. The following scale provided by CPP is intended to assist physicians in determining the appropriate fee.

Billing for Medical Reports

Submit invoices for services to CPP. Upon receipt of your invoice, CPP will reimburse you:

553A	Initial Medical Report	up to \$85.00
554A	Reassessment Medical Report.....	up to \$25.00
555A	“Scanable Impairment Evaluation” and for the “Medical Report – Recurrence of the Same Medical Problem” (ISP2525)	up to \$50.00 each
552A	A very complete and detailed narrative report that involves more extensive chart review and medical report preparation	up to \$150.00

Note:

- CPP has indicated that a faster payment will result if you note on your bill the time required to comply with this request.
- Physicians may still charge their patients for the difference between the CPP payment rate and the physician's normal charge for a similar service. (See codes 527A/535A)
- Submit the bill to the patient who is expected to forward it to Health and Welfare Canada along with your report.
- Occasionally, CPP requests independent medical consultations or functional capacity evaluations during the application process, or to determine continuing eligibility. CPP pays the specialist or facility directly for these examinations.
- Fees mentioned in this section are set in consultation with the Canadian Medical Association and are subject to change.